Forest Accomplishments

OLYMPIC National Forest

Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region

Fees Used to Improve Recreation Facilities: Fees Are Making A Difference!



A multitude of recreational opportunities exist year-around on Olympic National Forest. Hiking, camping, picnicking, fishing, and backpacking are a few of the popular spring and summer activities. Berry picking, hunting and Christmas tree cutting are enjoyed during the fall and winter months. Cabin and resort lodging are available year-around.

Olympic National Forest offers 277 miles of trail, 3 historic cabins, and 19 campgrounds. The Forest receives over 1.2 million visitor days of use annually. Visitors enjoyed a variety of activities including hiking temperate rain forest at Quinault Lake, shucking oysters at Seal Rock Campground, viewing nature signs

at Brown Creek Campground and fly fishing on the Sol Duc River while camping at Klahowya Campground.

Keeping all these recreation sites and facilities clean, maintained, free of encroaching vegetation and relatively safe is a high priority on Olympic National Forest. The recreation fee program goes a long way towards helping us do this. Most of the fees received go right back to the area where they were collected. If you have any questions or concerns about the recreation fee program, please feel free to contact us.

The Fees:

Project Name	Revenue Collected 2004	Ex	penditures 2004
Northwest Forest Pass	\$ 95,868	\$	137,464
Camping	\$ 99,129	\$	151,378
Golden Passes	\$ 35,274	\$	3,781
Recreation Lodging	\$ 25,865	\$	21,030

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Your Fees At Work: Tacoma Urban League trail crew restoring trail tread on Church Creek Shelter Trail #870.

The Accomplishments:

Northwest Forest Pass:

- Hired crew leader to train and supervise a youth trail crew sponsored by a grant to train youth in job skills and environmental learning.
- Provided support to the volunteer program. 128 miles of trail was maintained with volunteers including a backlog of 38 miles.
- Stabilized chronic slides on the Lower Dungeness Trail.
- Removed sixteen large logs from The Brothers Trail by WHACKO crosscut saw group of the Washington Trails Association.
- Formed Partnership with Tacoma Urban League to fund an intercity youth trail crew that maintained 22 miles of trail.
- Supported 4 students from the Student Conservation Association.
- Hired a local community member to maintain facilities at the Quinault Rain Forest Trailhead
- Partnered with the Lake Quinault Lodge to sponsor naturalist guided walks on the Quinault Rain Forest Nature Trail.

Campgrounds:

- Extended camping, picnic and boat access to Quinault Lake at Willaby Campground for two additional months after the concessionaire management ended their season on Labor Day weekend.
- Made improvements to facilities and reopened Klahanie Campground.
- Replaced 10 tables, 10 fire rings, and 30 barrier posts at several campgrounds.
- Identified and removed 37 hazard trees.
- Refurbished entrance sign at Big Creek Campground.

Cabin Rentals:

- Upgraded electrical system at Louella Cabin.
- Completed shake roof replacement on Hamma Hamma Cabin.
- Completed pest inspections and treatment at three cabins.

Golden Passports:

Improved signage and interpretive postings on visitor information boards at Northwest Forest









